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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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| Applicant(s): | GOEMAN, et al. | Confirmation No.: | 1285 |
| Application No.: | 10/540,057 | Group Art: | 1623 |
| Filing Date: | November 3, 2006 | Examiner: | McIntosh, T. |
| Title: | FLUOROGENIC ENZYME SUBSTRATES AND METHODS OF PREPARATION | | |

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the Office Action mailed May 22, 2009, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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